COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 178/2009

of 5 March 2009

fixing the maximum export refund for skimmed milk powder in the framework of the standing invitation to tender provided for in Regulation (EC) No 619/2008

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 of 22 October 2007 establishing a common organisation of agricultural markets and on specific provisions for certain agricultural products (Single CMO Regulation) ([1]), and in particular Article 164(2), in conjunction with Article 4, thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 619/2008 of 27 June 2008 opening a standing invitation to tender for export refunds concerning certain milk products ([2]) provides for a standing invitation to tender procedure.

(2) Pursuant to Article 6 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1454/2007 of 10 December 2007 laying down common rules for establishing a tender procedure for fixing export refunds for certain agricultural products ([3]) and following an examination of the tenders submitted in response to the invitation to tender, it is appropriate to fix a maximum export refund for the tendering period ending on 3 March 2009.

(3) The Management Committee for the Common Organisation of Agricultural Markets has not delivered an opinion within the time limit set by its Chair,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For the standing invitation to tender opened by Regulation (EC) No 619/2008, for the tendering period ending on 3 March 2009, the maximum amount of refund for the product and destinations referred to in Article 1(c) and in Article 2 of that Regulation shall be EUR 22,00/100 kg.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 6 March 2009.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 5 March 2009.

For the Commission

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([1]) OJ L 299, 16.11.2007, p. 1.
([2]) OJ L 168, 28.6.2008, p. 20.
([3]) OJ L 325, 11.12.2007, p. 69.